AMENDMENTS

In the Abstract

Please amend the abstract of the priority PCT application as follows:

Methods and apparatus to perform floating point addition are described. In one embodiment, a plurality of operands ~~(306, 308)~~ are formatted ~~(310)~~ into a common format ~~(602, 630, 650)~~ and combined (e.g., added or subtracted). <u>Other embodiments are also described.</u>